

# WasteNet

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# newsletter

Commercial Solid Waste and Recycling News

## Congratulations to Advanced Micro Devices Inc. and Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company –

### *The 2002 Environmental Achievement Award Winners in Waste Reduction and Recycling!*

These business winners will be featured in the next two editions of WasteNet. Information on their outstanding programs is also available at the City of Sunnyvale recycling website (Environmental Achievement Awards link) at [www.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us/recycle](http://www.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us/recycle).

#### **Advanced Micro Devices Inc. (AMD)**

Advanced Micro Devices Inc. is a global company that produces microprocessors, flash memory devices, and support circuitry for communications and networking applications.

**Waste Reduction:** The company donates office equipment, furniture and supplies to nonprofit organizations.

**Recycling:** Recycled materials include office paper, cardboard, beverage containers, toner cartridges, scrap metal, wooden crates and pallets, plastics (wipes, shoe covers, plastic bottles, and latex gloves), and dry cell batteries. They send their landscape maintenance waste for composting.

**Buying Recycled:** In order to complete the recycling “loop”, AMD spends over \$100,000 per year on recycled-content office products such as paper office supplies, binders, clipboards, transparencies, Tyvek® envelopes, and tabbed dividers.

**Employee Education:** AMD promotes employee awareness of its program through its internal website, email announcements, an employee Recycling Handbook, announcements on AMD-TV (an internal closed circuit video system), and AMD employee events.



Accepting the award for AMD, Mark Lacy (L) and Patrick Wong (C) pose with Mark Bowers (R), Sunnyvale's Solid Waste Manager

**Results:** In 2001, AMD's California site recycling programs diverted over 50% (or 1,375 tons) of its waste from the land-fill. AMD received an Environmental Achievement Award from the City of Sunnyvale in 1995 and 2002. They have also been recognized by the State of California Waste Reduction Awards Program (WRAP) every year from 1995-2001.

Contact Mark Lacy, Senior Environmental Staff, at (408) 749-2965, or via email at [mark.lacy@amd.com](mailto:mark.lacy@amd.com).

#### **Calendar of Events**

##### **Business Hazardous Waste Drop-off Events**

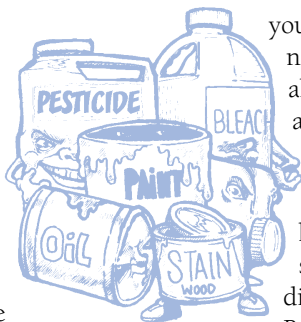
June 14 • July 19 • August 16

Businesses may participate by appointment only.

Call (408) 299-7300 or visit [www.hhw.org](http://www.hhw.org) for more information.

## Paints, Solvents, and Acids, Oh My!

Does your business have fluorescent tubes, solvents, paints, acids, motor oil, or other hazardous wastes for disposal? Do not dispose of hazardous wastes in your garbage dumpster, down the sanitary sewer or storm drain, or on the ground. If disposed of improperly, these materials pose a danger to public health and can pollute our land, water, and air. Just one gallon of motor oil can pollute 250,000 gallons of water!



In order to prevent the generation of hazardous waste,

your business should use non-toxic or the least toxic alternatives to products that are necessary for business operations.

If your business still has hazardous wastes, there are safe and convenient disposal options available. Businesses generating less

than 220 lbs. or 27 gallons of hazardous waste each month can make an appointment to drop off waste by calling the Santa Clara County Hazardous Waste Recycling & Disposal Program. The fee for this service depends upon the types and amounts of wastes that you have. If your business generates more than 220 lbs.

or 27 gallons of hazardous waste, you can call the County to request a list of private hazardous waste haulers.

**Remember to follow local, state, and federal regulations and properly dispose of your hazardous waste — it's better for your business and the environment!**

#### **Santa Clara County Hazardous Waste Recycling & Disposal Program**

[www.hhw.org](http://www.hhw.org)

**Phone:**  
(408)  
299-7300

**Email:**  
[staff@hhw.org](mailto:staff@hhw.org)



# It's Quick, It's Easy, It's On-Line!

Get that valuable material out of your dumpster! Visit the City of Sunnyvale recycling website (*Commercial Services* link) at [www.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us/recycle](http://www.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us/recycle) to find out how your business can reuse and recycle a wide variety of items such as:

fluorescent lamps  
**BUBBLE WRAP**  
Office Paper  
computer monitors  
**PALLETS**  
Metal  
toner cartridges

## Recycle. It's Good for the Bottle, It's Good for the Can.



Many businesses, and restaurants in particular, generate beverage container waste (aluminum cans, glass, and plastic bottles). Sunnyvale businesses may choose independent recycling providers to haul away recyclable materials. The companies listed below may be able to offer beverage container recycling service to your business:

**Dotson's Mobile Recycling**  
(415) 971-6226

**Mission Trail Waste Systems**  
(408) 727-5365

**San Jose Conservation Corps**  
(408) 283-5560

The following businesses offer beverage container collection in conjunction with an office paper recycling program:

**Enterprise Recycling**  
(650) 364-3333

**In-House Recyclers**  
(408) 292-4372

**Paper is Money**  
(650) 967-2534

**Smurfit-Stone Recycling**  
(408) 288-7553

Businesses may also drop off their separated aluminum cans, glass bottles & jars, and plastic bottles & jars #1-7 at the Sunnyvale Materials Recovery and Transfer (SMaRT®) Station and receive money for California Redemption Value (CRV) containers. The SMaRT Station is located at 301 Carl Road and is open 7 days a week, 8am-5pm.

Call (408) 730-7484 if you would like to request free promotional posters for beverage container recycling.

## Benefit Your Bottom-Line and the Environment

### Assistance is Available at No Charge!

Would your company like assistance in identifying areas where your waste can be reduced and garbage costs cut? Would you like help optimizing an existing waste reduction program? City staff is available to visit your facility to conduct waste assessments, train employees, and to help work out program details. We can provide cardboard desktop boxes for paper recycling (up to 200 per business) at no additional charge. Visit Sunnyvale's recycling website at [www.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us/recycle](http://www.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us/recycle) or call (408) 730-7484 for more information.

### Solid Waste and Recycling Resources

**Commercial Recycling Program**  
Business waste reduction, recycling, reuse, and buying recycled assistance — (408) 730-7484  
[www.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us/recycle/commercial.htm](http://www.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us/recycle/commercial.htm)  
[jbenabente@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:jbenabente@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us)

**Revenue Division**  
Commercial garbage service start/stop & billing questions — (408) 730-7681  
**Santa Clara County Hazardous Waste Recycling & Disposal Program**  
Hazardous waste drop off appointments & information — (408) 299-7300 [www.hhw.org](http://www.hhw.org)

**SMaRT Station® (301 Carl Rd, SV)**  
Disposal/recycling drop-off center; 7 days a week, 8am-5pm — (408) 752-8530  
[www.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us/recycle/smart-rec.thm](http://www.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us/recycle/smart-rec.thm)

**Specialty Solid Waste & Recycling**  
Commercial cardboard recycling service start/stop — (408) 565-9900

Keep your bin at its best!  
Call (408) 730-7681 to request your annual bin cleaning and painting service at no charge.

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